

**REMARKS**

**Restriction Requirement**

In the Office Action mailed February 23, 2004, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following Groups:

- I. Claims 1-4;
- II. Claims 5-13;
- III. Claims 14-21
- IV. Claims 22-25.

In response to this requirement, Applicant elects **Group I** comprising Claims 1-4. Claims 5-25 have been canceled without prejudice.

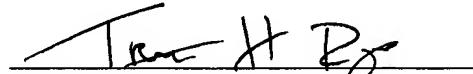
Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1-4 are in condition for allowance and an early notification of such is solicited.

Please direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned at (415) 781-1989.

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